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Committee Asks 'Vote Connelly'

The "Connelly for Selectman Committee" asks the voters to support the candidacy of Edward W. Connelly to the office of selectman.

"We feel that his previous service as a member of the Finance

is manifested in his activities with the junior leagues and the elder citizens.

"He is the only present selectman, who openly supported an improvement of our water system on the town meeting floor in 1965. The same is true of his support of our industrial development with its necessary service facilities. His program has appealed not only to our added comfort but has as well pointed toward a reduction in our tax bills.

"During the past three years, he has been a model selectman. He has been "on call" whenever any complaint was made and everyone who has asked for his assistance knows that he has personally provided an answer after due deliberation. He has treated with great concern and impartially the awarding of liquor licenses and the appointments to town offices. He has brought dignity to the selectmen's office by treating our friends and neighbors with respect to all. His record of attendance at meetings on both the local and state levels

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EDWARD W. CONNELLY

Board prepares him so well to understand all phases of town government. His deep concern for both the young and the aged

BE SURE TO
VOTE



Nov. 22

Community Junior Grange Meet Sat.

Community Junior Grange will meet at the Grange Home on Saturday afternoon to confer the degree on a class of six candidates who have applied for membership. The meeting will start at two o'clock, with the master, Linda Allen in charge of the business and the degree.

Refreshments will be served by Cynthia Ainsworth, Paul Broz, and Alice Hamel, assisted by some honorary members. Mrs. Hannah Binns will be the pianist, and all arrangements are under the direction of Earl C. Bradway, Junior Patron.

Gridiron Mothers

Candy Sale Sun.

The Agawam Gridiron Mothers Club will hold a Candy Sale this Sunday. The football players are requested to be at Coach Harry Leonardi's home at 1 o'clock with their drivers.

The Cheerleaders are welcome to take part in the sale. Chairman Rita Moore will be assisted by Lola Shearer, Mary Sherpa and Louise Moreno.

Hosaga Indians at JHS Saturday



A colorful and entertaining program of authentic Indian dances and ceremonials will be presented at Agawam Junior High School auditorium by the Hosaga Indian Dancers of Springfield College, Springfield, under the sponsorship of the South School Parent Teachers Association, Saturday, the 19th at 10:30 a.m.

The Hosaga Indian Dancers are men and women of the college who have made a hobby of studying Indian Lore. They make

their own costumes and all other equipment used in the program, which has been patterned after the Plains Indians.

The pre-show entertainment will be by the Blue Tones led by David Perusse, Judy Belcher, and acrobatic dancer and Charlene Perusse, top dancer.

Donation is 50c and authentic Indian articles have been donated as door prizes.

Mrs. Quinto Cimma is chairman of the show assisted by a large committee.

Lions Club To Sponsor Youth Peace Essay Contest

The youth of Agawam have been given a challenge to develop a plan for world peace by their local Lions Club—a challenge that

could earn one of them a \$25,000 educational and/or career assistance grant.

The Agawam Lions Club, together with Lions Clubs throughout the world, is sponsoring a world-wide essay contest for the world's youth on the most important world subject today — Peace. The contest offers \$50,000 in total awards, including the \$25,000 first prize, eight semi-final world regional awards of \$1,000 each and travel expenses for the eight winners to Chicago, Ill. in July, 1967. At that time, the first prize winner will be chosen from the eight. Also, more than 20,000 local, district and multiple district awards will be made.

"We are hopeful one of our

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Thanksgiving Bride



SUSAN A. JEZ

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley P. Jez of 1421 Granby Rd., Chicopee Falls, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Susan Ann Jez, to John Edward Jereski, son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Jereski of 378 North West St., Feeding Hills.

The wedding will be an event in St. Stanislaus Church, Chicopee, at 10 on Thanksgiving Day.

Miss Jez attended the Chicopee schools and graduated from Chicopee Comprehensive High School. She is employed by the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co.

Her fiancé attended Agawam schools. He graduated from Agawam High School and received his bachelor of science degree from Bryant College in Providence. He is self-employed.

Benevolent Society Meeting Monday

The Ladies Benevolent Society of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, the 21st in Griswold Hall at the church. A short business meeting will be called to order promptly at 8 o'clock. Reports will be read of the results of the recent chicken-pie supper and bazaar.

The guest speaker of the evening will be Mrs. Alice Scott Ross, writer of feature articles for the Women's News page of the Springfield Union. Mrs. Ross is much admired by a host of friends who never fail to read her page and try the recipes for which she is famous. Her subject Monday evening will be Portugal, a country she has recently visited. She will illustrate her talk with colored slides. All women of the church are cordially invited to attend this meeting.

A social hour will follow the meeting. Hostesses for the evening will be Mrs. Marjorie Taylor, Mrs. Ethel Kane, Mrs. Hollis Kane and Miss Carol Taylor.

Agawam High School Named To College Entrance Board

Agawam High School has been named to the Northeast Regional Office of the College Entrance Board according to a notification received by Principal Frederick T. Dacey.

The Agawam representative, David Skolnick, guidance director at Agawam High School, was one of 30 new board members invited to New York City to participate in a special one-day orientation and discussion last Thursday.

Board membership provides the opportunity for informal discussion concerning all aspects of school-to-college transition, including advanced placement, financial aid, and special events. The regional office hopes to be able to facilitate communication and foster communication among all elements of the educational

community of the Northeast.

Each representative serves for three years, attends the annual meeting, a regional meeting, and other conferences.

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South PTA Food Sale Election Day

South School Parent Teachers Association announces they will hold an Election Day Food Sale at the school Tuesday, Nov. 22.

Mrs. James Moran, chairman, will be featuring many Thanksgiving Day specialties, fruit cakes, brownies, cookies, candy etc.

Assisting Mrs. Moran are Mrs. Michael Demko, Mrs. Edward Moriarty, Mrs. Paul Pappas and Mrs. James Fenton, Jr.

Garden Club

Elect Officers

Recently the Agawam Garden Club held its annual election of officers and voted the following slate for the year 1967:

President, Mrs. Michael Demko; Vice President, Mrs. John Farrington; Secretary, Mrs. Donald George; Treasurer, Mrs. Ernest Stoddard and Publicity Secretary, Mrs. Alice Moore.

The regular monthly meetings of the Club will resume in Feb., 1967.

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Vote EDWARD W. CONNELLY, SELECTMAN — Nov. 22

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CHURCH NEWS

Agawam Methodist Church

459 Mill Street, Agawam
 Rev. Kenneth Thornton, Minister
 Mrs. Herbert Binns, Organist
 Ronald Ashton, Lay Leader
 Mrs. Richard Fearn,
 Jr. Choir Director
 Mrs. Robert Garfield,
 Church Secretary
 Mrs. Marshall Keyes,
 Sanctuary Choir Director

Friday—5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Intermediate Youth group meet at church, 7th and 8th grades; 6:15 p.m. Bowling teams meet at West Side.

Saturday—11 a.m. Various members of our church conduct a service of worship at the East Longmeadow Nursing Home.

Sunday—9:30 a.m. Church School in session, Church at Worship. Nursery for infants; 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour; 11 a.m. Church Chapel Worship service; 6:30 p.m. Christian Youth Fellowship at Feeding Hills Congregational Church.

Tuesday—7:30 p.m. Third of a series of four meetings on Missions theme "Affluence and Poverty."

Wednesday—6:30 p.m. Junior Choir practice; 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir practice.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor
 Mrs. Frank Merchant, Organist and Choir Director
 Mrs. Barbara Briggs, Church Secretary

Thursday—1:30 p.m. Ella Bond Circle meets at home of Mrs. Everett Hodge, Sr., Bailey St.; 6:30 p.m. Choralier Choir rehearse at church; 7:45 p.m. Senior Choir rehearse at church.

Sunday—9 and 11:10 a.m. Two Morning Worship Services. Rev.

Benjamin Lockhart will preach at both morning worship services. Celestial Choir sing First Service and Senior Choir sing second service; 9:30 and 10 a.m. Church School for all ages; 6 p.m. Junior High, and 6 Senior BYF's will meet at church.

Tuesday—7 p.m. Celestial choir rehearse at church.

Wednesday—10 a.m. Trading Post closed; 8 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Service in the Sanctuary.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister
 Mrs. A. G. Toussaint,
 Minister of Music

Thursday—12 Noon Ladies Aid luncheon and business meeting.

Friday—7 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 82 meet; 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal.

Saturday—8:45 a.m. Intermediate Choir rehearsal; 9:30 a.m. Junior Choir rehearsal; 10 a.m. Christmas Bazaar with cafeteria supper from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Sunday—9 a.m. Thanksgiving Sunday, Church at Morning Worship in Phelps School, Rev. Bryan preaching "Hear the Word of the Lord" and Nursery at Phelps School, Kindergarten through Junior Classes, Church Parish Hall; 10 a.m. 7th Grade through 12 Grade classes, Church Parish Hall; 11 a.m. Church at Morning Worship in Phelps School, Rev. Bryan preaching, Nursery at Phelps School and Kindergarten through Junior classes, church parish hall.

Tuesday—6:30 p.m. Senior High Choir rehearsal.

Wednesday—8 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Service "Think and Thank God" in the Parish House.

FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21 North Westfield St.
 Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney, Pastor
 Mrs. Frederick Nardi, Organist

Friday—6:30 p.m. Loyalty Covered Dish supper in social halls.

Sunday—9:30 a.m. Church school kindergarten thru 10th grade . . . annual Thanksgiving

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Monday—8 p.m. Ladies Benevolent Society in Griswold Hall.

Tuesday—6 p.m. Cherub choir rehearsal; 6:30 p.m. Junior choir rehearsal; 7 p.m. Senior choir rehearsal.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Rev. George Linse, C.S.S.
 Rev. James Shea, C.S.S.
 Daily Mass: 7 a.m.
 Holy Day Masses: 7, 8 a.m. and 6, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday—4:30 and 7:30 p.m. Confessions

Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 11:30 a.m. Masses.

Tuesday—7:30 p.m. Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions.

Wednesday—7 p.m. Boy Scouts meet.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

Rev. Dominic A. Ruscetta, CSS Rector.
 Rev. Samuel Fayad, CSS.

Saturday—4-5:30 p.m. and 7:30 and 8:30 p.m. confessions.

Mass Schedule
 Sundays: 7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m.
 Weekdays: 7 a.m.

Tuesday—7:30 p.m. St. Anthony Devotions.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

Rev. Walter J. Joyce
 Rev. Albert Blanchard

Saturday—9 a.m. Religious classes Grades 1 to 6 at Junior High School; Confessions 4 to 5:45 and 7:30 to 9 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE
 Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 10:30 and 11:45 a.m. Masses.

2 p.m. CCD classes for working High School students in St. John's Hall.

Monday—7 p.m. CCD classes at Junior High School.

Tuesday—7:30 p.m. Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions.

ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. John S. Tyler, Vicar

Thursday—7 p.m. Boy Scout Troop #79 meets at parish hall.

Friday—3:15 p.m. Junior choir practice at church.

Saturday—9 a.m. God and Country instruction at church.

Sunday—8 a.m. Holy Communion; 10 a.m. Matins and Sermon—Family Service.

Monday—2:15 p.m. Girl scouts in the parish hall.

Wednesday—7:30 p.m. Senior choir at church.

Echoes From The Health Front

FASHION NOTE—A decline in the appendicitis case rates has been widely noted of late, and the trend is confirmed by Medical Tribune. Nobody is quite sure of the reason, but two possible causes are said to be better nutrition and the use of antibiotics.

FOR THE CAREER-MINDED—For young people and their elders interested in careers in the health field, the U. S. Department of Labor offers a comprehensive manual called "Health Careers Guidebook." Copies at \$1.50 each can be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents,

U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. 20402.

HIT THE BOTTLE?—Although nursing the baby has distinct advantages over the bottle routine for baby and mother alike, Dr. Frederick W. Goodrich, Jr., advises that bottle feeding is preferable if Mom has a strong aversion to nature's method. Could be psychologically bad for Junior, the theory goes.

MENTAL PATIENTS—The New York State Department of Mental Hygiene announced that the number of resident patients in its hospitals deceased from 84,862 on March 31, 1965, to 82,765 a year later. In 1955, the patient population totaled more than 93,000. The improvement is generally attributed to the use of tranquilizing drugs. It doesn't mean, unfortunately, that mental health is ceasing to be a serious problem.

INHALE, EXHALE—Latest "in" is the "breathe-in" as conducted some months ago at the California State Capital in Sacramento. Many state senators and assemblymen joined the general public in taking a lung function test to find out whether signs of respiratory disease might be present. The action was carried out by the TB and Health Association of Sacramento County.

Health for All Sponsored by Hampden County Tuberculosis and Public Health Association.

ST. THERESA OF INFANT JESUS CHURCH

Rev. Paul Bernard
 Mass Schedule
 Daily Mass—7 a.m.

Saturday—8 a.m. Mass—4:30 and 7:30 Confessions.

Sunday—7, 8:30 and 10 a.m. Mass.

Tuesday—7 p.m. St. Theresa Novena Devotions

VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Minister
 Mrs. Hazel Prior, Choir Director
 Mrs. John MacPherson, Organist
 Mrs. Richard Orr,
 Church Secretary

Sunday—10 a.m. Worship Service at Old Storowton Church, West Springfield, Eastern States Exposition Grounds.

Wednesday—7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Upper Church and Second Sts.
 West Springfield, Mass.

Rev. John N. Garner, Pastor
 Saturday—9 a.m. Work day at church.

Sunday—9:45 a.m., Bible School for all ages, 11 a.m., morning worship service with a Gospel Message by Pastor Garner. There is a supervised nursery service available upstairs in the church during both Bible School and morning service, 6 p.m., Young People's groups meet at church; 7 p.m., evening service conducted by Pastor Garner.

Wednesday—7:30 p.m., "Hour of Power," midweek prayer meeting and service, followed by choir practice.

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YOU AND YOUR INSURANCE

(A public service column about property and casualty insurance)

by KENNETH S. RAFFOL

Insurance Business A Leader In Battle For Traffic Safety

"What is the insurance business doing about auto safety?" a reader asks.

Insurance companies—individually and through their organizations now spend some \$35 million each year to prevent accidents and to promote road safety for the American public. This is being done despite the fact that

The philosophy developed over the years by the insurance business has been to encourage organizations that have a direct responsibility for safety efforts to initiate projects or improve their programs. This philosophy is backed each year by increasing cash contributions.

Some of the organizations receiving cash grants from the insurance business are: the Institute of Traffic Engineers; the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators; Association of State and Provincial Safety Co-ordinators; National Safety Council; International Association of Chiefs of Police; and several universities.

Finally, driver education in the nation's high schools has become a reality as a result of insurance-financed research and efforts by representatives of the insurance business.

This column will be glad to answer questions you may have about property or casualty insurance. Send them to The Agawam Independent, marked to the attention of Kenneth S. Raffol.



KENNETH RAFFOL

the insurance industry's primary function is to distribute among all policyholders the costs of accidents.

Today, automobile insurance companies are providing more support through staff time and money in the fight against traffic accidents than any other industry. This contribution takes many forms. At one end are the activities of small associations of insurance agents, and at the other, those of the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. Through the IIHS a national campaign is being waged to fight slaughter on the highways directly, and to provide cash grants to safety organizations that are conducting effective programs.

tured in the band is Mike Montessi, bass; Steve Kida, drums; Steve Sweeney on lead guitar and Barry Donovan on rhythm guitar. Bruce Cosimini is lead vocalist for the group.

Harry Leonardi and Jack Moltenbrey will be supervisors for the group.

Airman Robinson To Train At Ft. Lee

SAN ANTONIO—Airman Ted R. Robinson, son of Randolph M. Robinson of 23 Lexington St.,



Agawam, has been selected for training at Fort Lee, Va., as an Air Force office equipment repairman.

The airman, a 1966 graduate of Agawam High School, recently completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex.

"Y" Jr.-Sr. Dances This Weekend

Two dances will be conducted by the Agawam Community Y.M.C.A. this weekend. On Friday night, a record hop will be held for Junior High School students at the South Elementary School from 7:30-10 p.m. Boys will be required to wear jackets and ties and girls will wear school dress. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moltenbrey will be supervisors.

On Saturday night, a Senior High School dance will be held at Robinson Park School from 8-11 p.m. This dance will be a "sock and sweater" event and live music will be provided by a local band who call themselves "The Beginning of the End." Fea-

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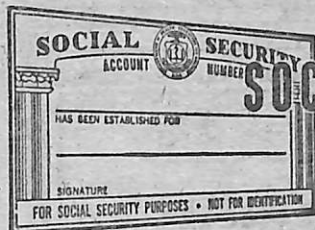
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SOCIAL SECURITY Questions and Answers

Q. How many health care visits could be paid for under the basic hospital insurance part of medicare?

A. Up to 100 visits during each one-year period following discharge from a hospital or from an extended care facility. The home health care would have to be furnished under a plan established and periodically reviewed by a physician. The home health services would, for example, enable an elderly man who needs intermittent nursing services to get them in his home instead of keeping him in a hospital; or if someone was getting over a stroke, he would get speech and physical therapy at home to help get his speech back and get his legs moving again.

Q. Did the 1965 amendments change the work requirements?

A. Most people can receive benefits only if they have worked under social security for at least 5 of the 10 years before they became disabled.

Q. I began receiving retirement benefits at 62 and when I was age 63 I became disabled. I checked at my social security office and they told me that I could not get disability benefits because I was receiving retirement benefits. Has this been changed by the 1965 amendments?

A. Yes. After receiving retirement benefits, it is now possible to change to disability benefits if you become disabled before 65. This means that if you are already receiving a reduced benefit when you become disabled, your payments may be increased.

Q. I have been disabled for 3 months and I plan to apply for disability benefits. What information should I bring to the social security office with me?

A. You should bring your social security card, proof of your date of birth, a list showing where you have worked, and the names and addresses of the doctors who

have treated you for your disabling condition. Do not delay filing if you do not have all of this information. The people at your social security office may be able to help you get the missing information.

Q. What is the disability work requirement?

A. You must have at least 5 years of work during a 10-year period ending when you became disabled. The 5 years of work need not be continuous or even in units of full years. Social security credits are counted in units of calendar quarters of the year. You will meet the work requirement if you have credit for at least 20 calendar quarters of work during the 40 quarters (10 years) ending when you became disabled.

Q. Is the disability work requirement the same for everyone?

A. Generally speaking, the work requirement is the same for everyone; however, if your disability is "blindness" you may qualify with less than 20 quarters (5 years). If you became disabled by blindness before age 31, you need credit for only one year of work for every two years after age 21 and before you became disabled by reason of blindness, except that you must have a minimum of 1½ years' work.

Q. My 65th birthday is on December 15. When should I file for health insurance?

A. File your application anytime from September through November. This way your hospital and medical insurance coverage can start in December—the month you are 65.

Q. What happens if I file for medicare after my 65th birthday?

A. Your hospital insurance protection will start immediately, but your medical insurance protection will be delayed.

Q. Do I have more than one chance to enroll for medical insurance?

A. Yes. But if you do not enroll in your first enrollment period, you will have to wait until the last 3 months of the next odd-numbered year. Also, you'll have to pay a higher premium and will not have coverage after you do enroll for another 6 to 9 months.

Q. Will I need any proofs when I file for health insurance benefits?

A. You will have to submit proof of your age. If you do not have a birth certificate, the people at your local social security office will help you get acceptable evidence.

Q. How can a working person file for medicare?

A. If you cannot come into the office during the special hours for working people, telephone or write your local district office that you wish to apply.

Q. I am retiring at age 65. Do I have to bring any special papers to get health insurance or my cash benefits?

A. You must submit proof of

your age. The same document is sufficient for social security checks and health insurance protection. Even if you have nothing available, come in and apply promptly and the social security representative will help you get the necessary proof.

Q. I can't get time off from my job to file an application for health insurance; what can I do to protect my rights?

A. Get in touch with your district office by letter or telephone; this communication will start your application process. And social security offices are now open one evening each week or on Saturday for the convenience of working people who find it difficult to call at any other time. The Springfield District Office is now open Saturday mornings 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Lions Club . . .

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young people will win this worldwide prestige award," President John Mercadante of the Agawam Lions Club said in announcing the contest locally today.

The contest, open to young people who will be 14 but less than 22 years of age as of Jan. 15, 1967, was announced by The President of Lions International, Edward M. Lindsey, of Lawrenceburg, Tenn., during the Association's annual International Convention in New York.

"The Peace Essay Contest is divided into eight world divisions for the \$1,000 prizes," President Mercadante said.

"Our Club's winner will advance to Lions District 33Y competition in his (her) effort to qualify for the multiple district contest," Mr. Mercadante said.

The contest sponsored by more than 20,000 Lions Clubs in more than 130 countries in the free world, will be the largest Peace Essay Contest in the world today.

"The purpose of the contest is to develop a formula for world peace because we feel peace is attainable," President Mercadante said.

"We want to alert our youth to the need for world peace and focus attention on that important goal," he said.

In announcing the contest internationally, President Lindsey said that Lions International, the world's largest service club organization is well qualified to sponsor such a contest.

He said the world-wide representation of Lions, the attention given to international relations and friendship between different nationalities and their participation in international humanitarian programs were the credentials for the patronage of the contest.

Contestants should submit their entry in essay form, not to exceed 5,000 words.

"Judging will fall into four categories: 75 per cent of the essay's points will be devoted to content, ten per cent to organization, ten per cent to style and five per cent to mechanics," Mr. Mercadante said.

(The mechanics segment will be used to appraise the grammatical construction of the essay.)

"Three judges will be appointed to evaluate the entries submitted to our club," Mr. Mercadante said.

"If our winner can advance through the judging stages up to the world finals he will receive an expense paid trip to Chicago to attend the Lions International 50th annual Convention for the final judging of his essay in addition to the \$1,000 award."

Mr. Mercadante said he hoped local young people would accept the challenge and enter his club's section of the contest. Closing date for the club's contest is Dec. 10, 1966.

"Students wishing to enter the contest should contact one of the Agawam Lions to get full details of the contest," he said or Mr. Skolnick at the high school.

Mr. Mercadante announced that each applicant would be limited to one entry, with one winner's essay eligible to compete in the Lions District 33Y contest. Winner of district contest will be entered in state or country contest. Each country or multiple district winner will be entered in one of the eight world divisions.



November 21

through

November 23

SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, frankfurt on roll, potato chips, buttered carrots, peanut butter/honey sandwich, custard donut, milk.

Tuesday: Meat ball grinder, garden salad w/spinach greens, peanut butter/honey sandwich, peaches, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, hamburger on roll, oven fried potatoes, buttered green beans, gingerbread w/topping, milk.

JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Pepper steak on bun, green beans, grapefruit sections, peanut butter cookies, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, chopped ham in water rolls, potato chips, cabbage/carrot salad, butter cake w/chocolate sauce, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, vegetable beef stew, celery/carrot sticks, bread/butter, butter cake w/sauce, milk.

DANAHY

Monday: Juice, cold cut grinders w/tomato and lettuce, potato chips, buttered green beans, chocolate cake w/topping, milk.

Tuesday: Milk only.

Wednesday: Turkey rice soup w/vegetables, turkey salad sandwich or peanut butter/jam sandwich, orange wedges, cookie, milk.

GRANGER

Monday: Orange juice, grilled hamburger on buttered roll, relish, catsup, cheese cube, whole kernel corn, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, pizza w/tomato cheese sauce, buttered green beans, chocolate peanut butter cookies, sliced peaches, milk.

Wednesday: Hamburg gravy, mashed potatoes, diced carrots, peanut butter/jelly sandwich, citrus fruit cup, milk.

PEIRCE

Monday: Beef potato pie w/biscuit topping, carrot/celery sticks, bread/butter, cheese cube, citrus fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, grilled frankfurt, scalloped potatoes, kernel corn, peanut butter sandwich, tutti frutti pudding w/topping, milk.

Wednesday: Spaghetti w/tomato meat sauce, buttered peas, cheese or peanut butter sandwich, sliced peaches, milk.

PHELPS

Monday: Grilled frankfurt on buttered roll, relish, mustard, but-

tered carrots, pineapple tidbits, milk.

Tuesday: Turkey vegetable soup, turkey salad sandwich, potato sticks, orange wedges, peanut butter cookie, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, Sloppy Joe on buttered bun, cabbage/carrot salad, white cake w/fruited topping, milk.

ROBINSON

Monday: Juice, hamburger on buttered bun, catsup, relish, buttered corn, sliced pickles, pineapple cake w/butter frosting, milk.

Tuesday: Shell macaroni w/meat tomato sauce, ABC salad, French bread w/butter, fruit cup, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, grinders (sliced meat, cheese, lettuce, tomato), potato chips, fresh fruit, pecan raisin cookie, milk.

SOUTH

Monday: Orange juice, Sloppy Joe on buttered bun, ABC salad, blueberry cake w/topping, milk.

Tuesday: Italian spaghetti w/meat sauce, tossed green salad, buttered French bread, fresh apple, milk.

Wednesday: Citrus juice, meat ball grinder w/sauce, buttered peas, cheese sticks, Thanksgiving treat, milk.

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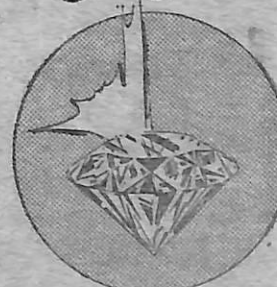
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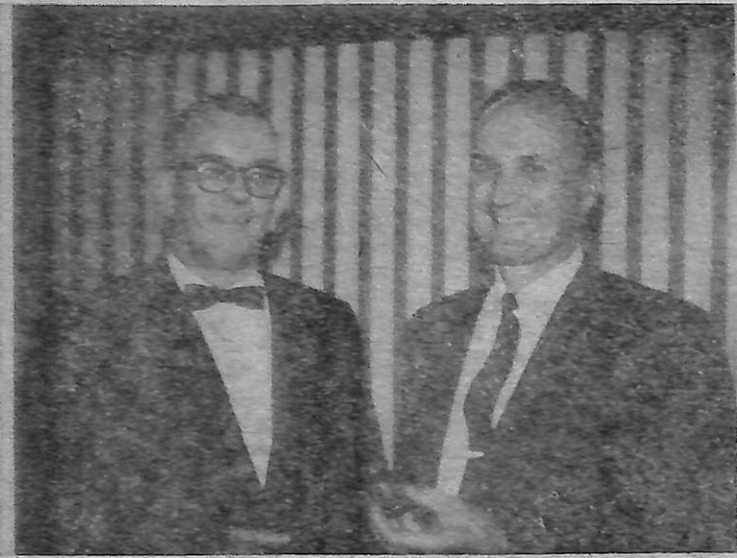


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A record crowd of 95 was on hand for the annual meeting of the Agawam Community Y.M.C.A. at Old Towne House last Sunday, Nov. 13th. The annual business meeting was conducted by Ernest C. Swanson, president.

Pictured above at left is Paul J. Adams, Jr., new President of Agawam Community Y.M.C.A. receiving the gavel from Ernest C. Swanson, outgoing President.

Nominated and elected to the Board of Directors: for three-year terms were: Stella Galliani, James Loomis, John Mikszewski, Elizabeth Pond, Elaine Taupier, Ralph Webster and Nicholas Zucco; two-year term, Vito DePalo; one-year term, Brady Snyder.

Nominated and elected as officers of the Agawam Y.M.C.A.

for the coming year were: Paul J. Adams, Jr., president; G. Fred Affleck, 1st Vice President; Arthur J. Leary, Jr., 2nd Vice President; Anthony W. Naciewicz, Treasurer and Mrs. Oscar J. Clifford, Secretary.

Two high school youths, Miss Charlene Tyler and Leslie J. Moore, III, spoke briefly on what the Y.M.C.A. meant to them. Rev. Walter J. Joyce of St. John the Evangelist Church gave the invocation and Rev. Floyd Bryan of the Agawam Congregational Church gave the benediction. George F. Affleck served as Master of Ceremonies.

Ladies Aid . . .

(Continued from Page 1)

Mrs. Raymond Spear's group.

The Merriweds will have grab bags for the children and attic treasures.

The Senior Pilgrim Fellowship will have hand-made toys and wreaths for sale and the Junior Pilgrim Fellowship will sell home made candy.

Agawam High . . .

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Other area school representatives were Western New England College, MacDuffie School for Girls, and the College of Our Lady of the Elms.

Pack shirts "one up and one down" with a pair of undershorts or a T-shirt between each, ALA travel experts advise. This method helps prevent crushing the collars and saves space.

Round The Town



By Ann Nael
phone ST 8-8996

Reynard F. Milici, son of Dr. and Mrs. R. Francis Milici of 21 Virginia St., Agawam, has been selected for membership in "Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges." Reynard is a painting major at the University of Hartford. He is this

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year's art editor of "Touchstone," literary magazine, and a 1961 graduate of Agawam High School.

Mrs. John Adams, formerly of Country View Apartments in Feeding Hills, is now at the Valley View Nursing Home, in Westfield. Mrs. Adams would like to thank her many friends for their remembrance during her recent bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald R. Gowdy of 390 North St., Feeding Hills, will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary Sunday afternoon holding "open house" from 2 to

5, to which relatives and friends are invited.

The former Gladys Clark of Sunderland and Mr. Gowdy were married Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 20, 1941, in the Congregational Church Chapel, Sunderland. They are the parents of two sons, Donald, Jr., a senior at Wentworth Institute, Boston, and William, a senior at Holyoke Community College.

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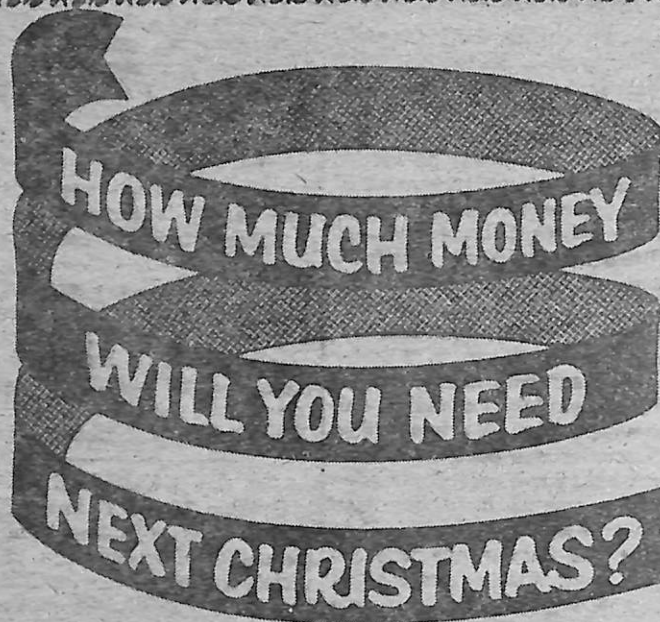


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My Beat — A.H.S.

Jo-Ann Della-Giustina

As the auditorium fills, the students behind the curtains will be preparing to present four one-act plays. Tomorrow night the freshmen and sophomores combined, directed by Mr. Burke and Mrs. Libizewski, will present two plays, "The Search for Wildcat McGillicuddy" and "Bachelor of the Year." Both are comedies. After these plays, the juniors will perform in "The Youngest." This drama is directed by Mrs. Weisman and Mrs. Hayes. To end the evening, the seniors will present the drama, "The Man Who Was Followed by His Heart," directed by Miss Kolberg. After the performances,

judges will choose the best play, best actor, best actress, best supporting actor, and best supporting actress. Good luck to all participating students!

AA Champs

For the third consecutive year, the Agawam High School Brownies have won the AA Conference Championship. The game to put Agawam on top was last Saturday's game against West Side. The Terriers fought, but they couldn't bring down our team. Although there was no scoring in the second half, we did win, 24-0. The Agawam fans were happy, and proud of the terrific job the boys have done all sea-

son. After the game, a big turnout appeared at the Agawam High School to greet our team. As the fans saw the police escort for our team, they realized fully that we had won the championship, and as they heard the AHS band greet our boys with the school song, all present felt proud that they came from Agawam.

This is the end of the 1966-67 football season, but soon the basketball and hockey season begin.

Hopefully the enthusiasm for these sports will reach the height that the football enthusiasm did. Congratulations to the football team, and good luck to the basketball and hockey teams!

COMING EVENTS: The library staff is preparing for the Book Fair to be held next month!... The seniors are planning their Kid Party!... Plans are being made for this year's operetta!...



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These are just a few of the brilliant segments that will be seen in the all-new 27th Edition of Ice Capades when it opens at the Eastern States Coliseum, West Springfield, on Wednesday, Nov. 23. There will be nightly performances Nov. 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30, Dec. 1 and 2 at 8 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 26 and Dec. 3 at 9 p.m. and matinees Saturday, Nov. 26 and Dec. 3, Sun. Nov. 28 and Dec. 4 at 1:30 and 5:30 p.m. each day.

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holic Beverages of the following
kind: Wines & Malt Beverages as
a Common Victualer at 324
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sisting of three rooms; cellar used
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Notice is hereby given under
Chapter 138 of the General Laws,
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W. Carr, Mgr., has applied for a
license to sell Alcoholic Beverages
of the following kind: All Alco-
holic as a Common Victualer, on
Twin Oaks Road, two story build-
ing; kitchen, bar and dining room;
grove for clambake outings; cellar
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III, di Mutto Socorso, Inc., Albert
Borgatti, Mgr., has applied for a
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holic as a Club at 33 Highland
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Hampden County Registry of
Deeds in Book 3139, Page 25, of
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80' November, 1964 Frank A. Russell,
R.L.S. Agawam, Mass." which said
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County Registry of Deeds, in Book
of Plans 98, Page 17, said lot be-
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COLLEGE NEWS

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SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By Bill Chiba

Paraplegics killed six deer during the first three-day weekend of the special season permitted them on Long Island in Moultonboro, New Hampshire. 24 hunters signed onto the island on Saturday. While only one deer was shot, 11 hunters reported seeing a total of 38 deer. Eighteen hunters showed up on Sunday and harvested 2 deer. On Monday there were 6 hunters, 3 of them reported seeing a total of 7 deer, and 3 deer were killed. In 1965, a total of 12 deer were killed the first weekend.

TWO HEARTS

A Berlin, N.H., man recently shot a varying hare in the town of Millsfield which had two perfect hearts—one on the right side and one on the left side.

The Agawam Sportsmen Club played host to 411 shooters at their turkey tournament held Sunday. Winners were: Bruce Laviolette, Robert Peterson, Elery Gibson, Bob Steadman, Wes Vereen, Bob Reed, Richard Stevens, Arthur Lueier, Ken Lloyd, and Ricky Adelman.

The club will hold election of officers and directors at 8 p.m. Dec. 14.

Jim Devine and Tony Varuzzo

are in charge of the Christmas Party held for the youngsters of the members of the club. Boys and girls 10 years and under are expected for the party. Jim would like to have the names of the children turned into the club by November 30th. The party will be held Dec. 17 at 1 p.m. at the club house.

Waste Collections

ROUTE 10

Friday, Nov. 18 — Alfred Cir., Alfred Ct., Alfred, Autumn, Bailey, Barden, Campbell Dr., Channel Dr., Charles, Clark, Clifton Dr., Congress, Cross, Dartmouth, Deering, Dover, Dyotte, Florida Dr., Forest Rd., Greenwood, Grove, Laura Cir., Lawnwood, Leonard, Meadowbrook Rd., Melrose Pl., Merrell Dr., Morgan, Peros Dr., Roberta Cir., Ruth Ave., Sibley, Simpson Cir., Trinity Ter., Warren and Western Dr.

ROUTE 1

Monday, Nov. 21 — Arnold, Broz, Carmen Ave., Cleveland, Coronet Cir., Duclos Dr., Francis, Gale, Grant, Hall, Harding, Homer, James, Letendre Ave., Liberty, McKinley, Maynard, Norman, Norman Terrace Ext., North, Oak Lane, Robin Lane, Sherman Ave., Sylvan Lane, Taft, Walton Lane, Wilbert Ter., Wilson and Woodland.

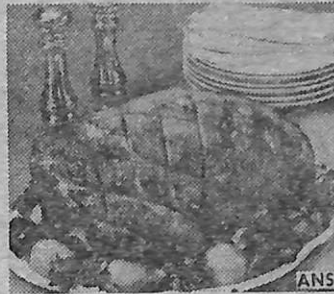
ROUTE 2

Tuesday, Nov. 22 — Acorn, Agnoli Pl., Annable, Aubudon, Bessbrook, Chapin, Cherry, Colemore, Daniel, Day, Eastern Ave., Fenton, Franklin, Fruwirth Ave., Greenock, Hasting, Hayes Ave., Horsham Pl., Lenox, Lincoln, Line, Mooreland, Norwood Oak, Park, Pierce, Portland Pl., Ralph, Ridgeway, Sylvan, White and Witheridge.

ROUTE 3

Wednesday, Nov. 23 — Begley, Birchwood Ter., Bridge, Brook-

Holiday Ham



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1 pre-cooked ham (10-12 lbs.)
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1/4 cup water
2 tbsp. A.1. Sauce
2 tbsp. lemon juice
1/2 cup red cinnamon candy
1 bunch watercress
1 jar spiced peaches

Score ham with diamond pattern, place on heavy duty foil in baking pan. Mix honey, water, A.1., lemon juice, candy in separate pan. Bring to boil, simmer until candy dissolves. Pour half of mixture over ham, form foil loosely around ham so juices are retained. Bake at 350°, 10-15 min. per lb.

A half-hour before serving, remove from oven. Spread liberally with remaining mixture. Increase heat to 400°, leave foil open. Baste often for good red glaze. Serve on bed of watercress, surrounded by spiced peaches, for festive look.

side Pl., Church, Cooley, Cottage, Dwight, Ellington, George, High, Highland, Hillcrest Ave., Howard, King, King Ave., Laurel, Lexington, Maple, McGrath Ter., Moore, Mulberry, Oak Ave., Oak Hill Ave., Orchard, Ottawa, Pasadena, Prospect River, Scherpa, Spencer, Spring, Summer, Sutton Pl., Tower Ter., Valley, Walnut, Walnut Street Ext. and Winthrop St.

Route 4

Friday, Nov. 25 — Amherst, Barn Rd., Belvedere, Brookline, Columbus, Giffin Pl., Greenacre Lane, Henry, Highland, Homestead Ave., Keating, Kensington, Mill, Morris, Norris, Northwood, Randall, Rhodes Ave., Rowley, Royal, Royal Lane, Springfield, Twin Oaks Rd. and William St.

LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT NEWS

by Gladys R. Catchepaugh

Mrs. Jane Whalen, Rehabilitation Chairman for Unit 185 of the American Legion Auxiliary an-

Mazza Library

Board Candidate

Peter D. Mazza today announced that he will be a candidate on the Democratic ticket for the Board of Library Trustees and for the nonpartisan post of town meeting member.

A teacher of U. S. history, government, political geography, and economics at Agawam High School, Mazza is an associate



PETER D. MAZZA

member of the Agawam Democratic town committee.

"As a teacher," said Mazza, "I am interested in and have definite aims for library progress. I also intend to investigate the possibility of obtaining Federal and state funds to help our town's library program."

A member of the Agawam Teachers Association, Massachusetts Teachers Association, and National Education Association, Mazza has served the ATA in several capacities, including chairmanship of two committees.

He is, in addition, a member of the Western Massachusetts Branch of American Personnel and Guidance Association.

Born and raised in West Springfield, Mazza graduated from West Springfield High School and from A. I. C. with a B.A. in history. He has completed requirements for a Masters Degree in Guidance and Psychological Services and will formally graduate this June from Springfield College.

Mazza is married to the former Arlene Ayers, and with their two children reside at 56 Royal St., Agawam.

nounced that the members of her unit are already making plans for the Christmas Gift Shop to be established just prior to Christmas at the Norhampton V. A. Hospital. This is the largest V. A. Hospital in the State, now caring for 1100 veterans. Units of Districts 1, 2 and 3 combine in the work at this Hospital.

These gift shops will be thoroughly stocked with attractive presents for the veterans to choose from for their families. Some of these men have been confined to the hospital for a long time, and are unable to get out to shop. They are very appreciative of the opportunity to remember their loved ones. After all, "giving" really makes Christmas for most of us.

Mrs. Julia Moore, who heads up this particular project for Agawam Unit, has been busy purchasing gifts for this project with monies donated by members and contributing organizations. Many of the gifts already received are being packed this week, ready for early delivery at the hospital. Members of Agawam Unit will serve at the shop November 30th.

Unit Meetings

A regular meeting of Wilson-Thompson Unit was held on Monday evening. President, Virginia Catchepaugh brought back an award of a pink table cloth, given Agawam Unit for its large attendance. 360 women from Massachusetts Units attended the conference. Mrs. Jane Whalen, Membership Chairman of Agawam Unit received an award for having over 50 per cent of the membership already in to Department.

It was reported that Girls State next year will be held during the third week of June, so that girls may attend without having to miss the final week of school.

The Auxiliary Chairman requested more subscriptions so that the paper may continue publication.

It was also announced that the National Convention of The American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary will be held in Boston next year, beginning on Aug. 26th.

The State Chaplain requested all Auxiliary members to say a prayer for World Peace on Thanksgiving Day.

Dates to Remember

Next regular meeting of Unit #185 will be Monday evening, Nov. 17th; Gift Shop at Leeds, Nov. 30th; Past Commanders Banquet, Dec. 3rd.

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Veterans with GI home loans or loans on their GI insurance policies may pay the loans off at any time, in full or in extra part payments without incurring a penalty charge, the Veterans Administration at Boston said today.

The minimum extra payment a veteran may make on his home loan is the equivalent of a month's payment, or \$100, whichever is less.

The insurance loan may be paid off in payments of \$5 or more at any time.

The Veterans Administration also pointed out that should a veteran need money for other expenses or emergencies, the extra payments already made—if the lender agrees, in the case of a home loan—may be reapplied to regular payments in order to prevent the loan from going into default.

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World War II veterans have less than one year left to take advantage of GI guaranteed or insured loans, according to the Veterans Administration office in Boston.

July 25, 1967, is the deadline for World War II veterans eligibility.

Eligibility for many has already expired, but the July 25, 1967 date is the cutoff for all other World War II veterans.

Veterans who were discharged for a service-connected disability and the widows of such veterans will be eligible up to the July 25, 1967 deadline.

Those eligible may obtain a guaranteed or insured loan to purchase a home, farm or to buy or start a business.

For veterans of the Korean Conflict the formula for determining GI loan eligibility is the same as for veterans of World War II. However, the Korean Conflict entitlement did not begin to expire until Jan. 31, 1965 and the final deadline is Jan. 31, 1975.

As in the case of World War II veterans, Korean Conflict veterans discharged for service-connected disabilities and their widows are eligible up to the final 1975 deadline. Eligibility for Post-Korean veterans under the

new GI Bill does not begin to expire until 1976.

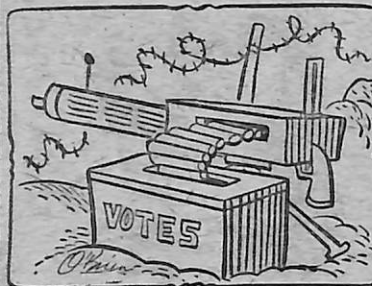
Veterans must first secure their certificate of eligibility from the VA if they plan to attend schools and colleges this year under the provisions of the new GI Bill.

Each veteran must apply for his certificate as his proof of eligibility to present to his college upon enrollment. Each veteran is also assigned a claim number which he will use in all correspondence with the VA concerning his rights and benefits under the law.

The VA pointed out that with the opening of schools and colleges a last-minute flood of applications is occurring. Veterans may attend college, high school, trade schools, or take correspondence courses, and receive a monthly check from the VA under the new bill's provisions.

Applications and information may be obtained by writing, telephoning or visiting the VA Contact Division, Room E-116, John F. Kennedy Federal Building, Boston, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Telephone number 223-3080.

FREEDOM'S AMMUNITION



Seeks Re-election To School Committee

Joseph Della-Giustina, in seeking re-election to the School Committee, pointed out that his education and experience make him the best qualified candidate for this position. He is presently serving as chairman of the committee.

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Joseph Della-Giustina

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Senior Class Officers



Agawam High School senior class representatives pictured above are (left to right), Paul Faits, vice-president; Dolores Frasco, secretary; David White, treasurer; and David Wright.

A traditional duty of the senior class officers is scheduling social functions for their class. One such function, the annual "Kid Party" is now in the planning stage. Officers will select committees to arrange decorations, print tickets, provide entertainment, and refreshments. Much of the entertainment will be provided by students themselves as they assume "kiddy" costumes in their return to childhood for one evening on Dec. 23.

According to President David Wright, the senior class will also sponsor a dance to provide funds

for other activities. Though graduation is still a long way off, plans have already been initiated for the senior class banquet.

All of the senior officers are active in school activities. Wright is also president of the Biology Club, captain of the basketball team, member of Student Council, Student Patrol, and yearbook staff.

Vice-President Paul Faits is Student Patrol captain, member of Student Council, Chess Club, basketball and track teams.

David White, the treasurer of the class, is sports editor of the school paper, member of the Student Patrol, hockey and track teams.

Secretary Dolores Frasco is a member of the National Honor Society, yearbook staff, and the Personality Club.

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